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11. (C) On July 1, A/DCM discussed the upcoming July 11 Kosovo Donors Conference with Leon Marc, head of the MFA's Division for Southeastern Europe, and encouraged Slovenia to pledge at the EC-sponsored donors' conference. Marc said that although the government had not yet cleared the amount of the pledge, it would be a good contribution in relative terms for Slovenia. He noted that Slovenia was not happy that the Commission had decided to issue the invitations at his level rather than higher so as not to upset the member states that have not yet recognized Kosovo. Marc stated that the Slovenian MFA would host Kosovo FM Hyseni on July 7 on a working visit to see how Slovenia can help the emerging MFA in Kosovo. Marc added that Slovenia was doing this in conjunction with its role as a member of the external relations subgroup of the ISG. GHAFARI